

POCAHONTAS TIMES.

Miss Nora Wilson is in Monterey this week.

Geo. L. Eakle is in St. Louis this week at the Fair.

P. S. Clark of Academy, was in town last Saturday.

The long dry spell ended with a good rain last Saturday.

Sheriff Arbogast, of Highland county, is in town on business.

Mrs. W. A. Grove is absent on an extended visit to Page county.

Miss Lillian Patterson has been visiting in Monterey the past month.

The old temporary court-house is being fitted up as an apartment house.

The new hotel will be the best hotel building in this part of the state.

A big delegation will go from this county to the State Convention at Parkersburg next week.

Miss Janie Echols of Lewisburg was in Marlinton this week visiting at the home of her uncle, H. R. Echols.

John C. Price, W. W. Beard and M. J. McNeel were among the business visitors in Marlinton Tuesday.

A game of baseball is arranged for Saturday evening between the married and single members of the teams.

Theodore Moore and George Duffield have returned from a ten days stay at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Miss Lucy Kincaid accompanied by Miss Mabel Milligan passed Marlinton Tuesday on a visit to friends at Mill Point.

Mrs. G. E. Miller is with her husband the manager of the Marlinton Furniture Company's store. They will make Marlinton their home.

Mrs. H. H. Slaven, who spent some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Patterson, has returned to her home in Highland county.

E. L. Carter is at home on a vacation from Raleigh county where he has a position on an engineer corps on an extension of the C. & O.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beale of Bergamo were in Marlinton last week, accompanied by their son and daughter. This is Mrs. Beale's first visit to Marlinton for 15 years.

Chas. S. McNulty, who graduated in law at Washington and Lee University at its recent session, is in Marlinton with a view, we hope, of settling here for the practice of his profession.

I've common sense, common soap and a nineteen hundred washer and make wash day a pleasant one. Marlinton Furniture Co. has the washer and will be glad to furnish you one.

At the recent Senatorial Convention at Webster Springs, Hon. Jake Fisher was nominated by acclamation. As this, the Tenth district is overwhelmingly Democratic the nomination virtually means election.

Examinations for entrance to the Peabody College for teachers at Nashville for the third congressional district will be held at Charleston July 29th and 30th. Examinations conducted by Miss Ed Fontaine at the city high school building.

Albert Overholt, of Missouri, is visiting friends in Pocahontas. Mr. Overholt has been in Missouri about six years. He has been engaged in teaching and has held the position of county superintendent of free schools for one term. He is considering returning to West Virginia.

We understand that it was decided by the directors of the Marlinton Tannery at their recent meeting to move the large amount of lumber now piled at the proposed tannery site above Dunsmore to Marlinton to be used in building up and adding to some of the larger buildings here.

The Republicans will hold their annual Convention at Sutton on August 4. The delegation from Pocahontas is instructed for W. H. McNeil. The Tenth Congressional District is made up of the Counties of Pocahontas, Webster, Boone, Calhoun and Grant.

DURBIN'S DIVES

Raided and Keepers Waive Examination.

Complaints were sworn out against the Durbin booze slops by John Getz before Squire Curry and warrants issued for the arrest of Gordon Hevener, Charles Slaven, Adam Taylor, Chas. Statnaker, R. E. Dorsey, Lee Galford and Walter Brown. The warrants were placed in Deputy Sheriff Collison's hands, who with Officer P. D. Yeager raided the places Tuesday.

The officers found Dorsey's, Galford's and Brown's places closed and the men gone. They arrested Slaven, Hevener, Taylor and Statnaker. All appeared before Squire Curry at Marlinton Wednesday with the exception of Statnaker who gave the Sheriff the slip and escaped to Randolph county by way of the Coal & Iron Railway.

The preliminary examination was held at Marlinton Wednesday before Squire Curry. Bond was given to await the action of the grand jury. A large number of witnesses were summoned but examination was waived without a hearing.

Grant Cochran's Trial

The trial of Grant Cochran, a citizen of Pocahontas for the killing of Lundy Perry, held at Lewisburg resulted in a verdict of voluntary manslaughter. On motion of his attorneys L. M. McClinton and Col. R. S. Turk, Judge McWhorter set the verdict aside and granted him a new trial. The facts of the case in a nutshell, are that Perry who had made threats against the life of Cochran came into his field, armed and with two companions, and made a hostile demonstration against Cochran and Cochran shot him, Perry falling with a loaded pistol in his hand.

The action of the Judge in setting the verdict aside gives general satisfaction in both counties concerned.

Teachers Examination.

Superintendent J. B. Grimes and Examiners A. D. Barlow and T. A. Bruffey held the second teachers examination for this year at Marlinton Thursday and Friday. The following applied for certificates:

- Emma Burner, Cass.
- Clara Jordan, Frost.
- Regina Stewart, Mingo.
- Mrs. Woodside Gum, Marlinton.
- Lucy Smith, Edray.
- Mollie Hogsett, Marlinton.
- Mary E. Rodgers, Buckeye.
- H. A. Walton, Buckeye.
- Lee V. Ruckman, Millpoint.
- C. F. Tallman, Wanless.

Mrs. Hamilton of California is visiting her relatives at Marlinton this week. She was a Miss Hickman, of Bath County. This is her first trip to her old home since she went west fifteen years ago on her bridal tour. She was joined at Marlinton by Mrs. Fox of Hendricks, her niece. The meeting was a great surprise as the one thought the breadth of a continent divided her from the other.

The Jack Core Company is giving dramatic entertainments nightly during the whole week at their tent near the Temporary Court House building. Special attractions are advertised for each night but the especial special attraction is billed for Saturday night when that ever popular play "Ten Nights in a Barroom" will be on the boards.

It will be a cause of gratification to his many friends to learn that the venerable Henry Barlow, whose life was despaired of for a period of three months during the past winter and spring, has so far recovered as to be able to move with comparative ease and finds much to make life pleasant. His recovery was little short of miracles.

Huntington experienced a \$80,000 fire last Thursday. The fire originated in the business section and for a time the largest block, valued at a million dollars, was in danger of destruction and it was only by the strenuous efforts of the firemen that it was saved. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

A letter has been received from James Hedden, of Linnwood, saying that he recently found a stone on his farm on Valley Mountain, a part of which was the site of General Lee's camp. What makes the stone notable is the following inscription cut in rough letters:

B. I. JOHNS
IN THE WAR OF 1861
VICTORY OR DEATH.

JUDGE MOORE EXPLAINS.

Says He Cannot Let Pass an Article Reflecting on His Courage.

My attention has been called to an item going the round of the press, which I cannot permit to pass without notice, reflecting as it does upon my reputation for courage. The article undertakes to recite an experience I had some weeks ago with a bear in the mountains of Vermont. In justice to my friend, Mr. Geo. L. Clemons, who was with me, and to myself as well, I want to give you the bear facts.

It is reported that when the bear came after us we each climbed a tree, and the insinuation is that we were scared. Now we were not frightened; but were simply indignant. Neither of us had ever met the bear before, and we thought it entirely improper to be embraced by her on such short acquaintance.

The only reason we climbed the trees was because the elevator was not running, and there was no other way to get up. And I want to say that my failure to climb as high as Mr. Clemons was not due to any superior bravery on my part, but was owing entirely to the fact that his tree happened to be taller than mine. I kept climbing as long as the tree held out. In fact we had little time to make choice of trees. It was our busy day, and we were obliged to use such timber as happened to be at hand.

The statement that we left liberal portions of our trousers on the protruding knots is the naked truth. The dog deserves no special credit for not climbing a tree. He wanted to, but was not built for climbing.

It is also stated that we ran after coming to the ground. So we did; but the reason we ran is because we didn't have wings to fly.

Then it must be understood this was no ordinary bear. Of course we did not weigh or measure the brute, but to a man up a tree she appeared to weigh a ton or more and perhaps seventeen feet long. These dimensions are only estimated. Even if we had been afraid of such an animal, it was pardonable, and we had with us no weapon of defense, except a small flask, and this was not loaded for bear, but for snakes.—C. F. Moore, Clifton Forge Review.

An Old Virginia.

Captain and Mrs. Little, of Iowa, were visiting their nephew, Hubert Echols, in Marlinton, this week, returning from an extended visit to kindred and friends in Virginia. The Captain is a man far advanced in years, having passed his eighty-third birthday but from appearances he seems to be twenty-years younger. In early manhood he was well acquainted in Pocahontas. He lived at Scottsville, at that time the head of the canal, and the depot from whence all supplies for the Valley of Virginia and a large number of the counties, which are now in West Virginia, was hauled. Captain Little's name will be familiar to the older people when it is recalled that he was the discoverer of "Little's White Oil" a household remedy in antebellum days and was instrumental in placing it in every home in this part of Virginia and also in a number of the more southern states. In fifty years he finds many changes, and few—very few indeed—people with whom he was acquainted.

The Greenbrier Presbyterial School.

We are in receipt of a copy of the prospectus of the Greenbrier Presbyterial School at Lewisburg, which begins its third session September 6, 1904. Since its institution the school has been under the control of Rev. M. L. Lacy, D. D., and its reputation for the thoroughness of its work is growing. The school is under the auspices of Greenbrier Presbyterial, and has no connection with any school that has been other than by location. It is hoped by the patrons and promoters of the Greenbrier Presbyterial school and with reason, that the institution will be given the patronage it so well deserves by the people of the Greenbrier Valley and so help it to take an important place in the education of the young men of the state as that occupied by the Lewisburg Seminary for young women.

News has reached us of the suffocation of two men, Elmer Townsend and Jim Kearny, employees of the C. & I. R. R. in the tunnel near Elkins on Tuesday. It seems that the train stalled in the tunnel and Townsend, who was fireman, uncoupled the engine from the cars and conductor Kearny, had pulled out of the tunnel. When he got outside he found out that Townsend was not on the engine as he supposed, and went back after him. Both were overcome by the smoke and gas. Townsend was well known here, having formerly been employed at the tannery.—Democrat.

The Jack Core Company.

The above company opened a weeks engagement here on Monday night under canvas presenting the farce-comedy "A Bachelor's Romance." The tent was filled and everybody was delighted with the performance. The company is the best that has ever visited this town and gave a performance equal to a city company in fact each and every one of the artists are all well known in the larger cities and only by accident has the management been able to secure such an array of talent to appear under canvas. The specialties are particularly good and perhaps Baby Hope is entitled to the most praise. This little child of only 5 years is indeed truly wonderful. Of the other members of the company all are so good that it would not be fair to the others to single out any for special mention.

Last night (Tuesday) the play presented was "True Irish Hearts" and the impression made the opening night was only increased by the company's performance of that Irish ideal. We anticipate with pleasure the performances of "East Lynne" on Thursday night, and "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" Saturday night. From the performances given these renowned plays should be given in a masterly manner and will, no doubt, be greeted by crowded houses.

Browns Creek.

We have had some refreshing showers which was badly needed in this section.

J. W. McCarty who was very sick last week is improving under the treatment of Dr. Patterson.

Frank Moore, Charlie and Ed. McLaughlin attended the basket meeting at Mountain Grove last Sunday.

Mrs. G. S. Weiford and little daughter, Mrs. Henry Poague of the Edray neighborhood are visiting their relatives on Thorney Creek.

W. J. Moore who has been staying with his son George, at Academy for the last three months came home last Saturday accompanied by Mrs. George E. Moore and two children.

Jacob S. Moore and daughter Pearl were visiting their near relatives on Elk last Friday and returned Saturday.

Amos McLaughlin has finished hauling his tan bark to Marlinton.

Mrs. Mary Curry is visiting her daughter Mrs. Harry Gwin of Frost.

C. L. Moore spent the day with his brother Jacob S. Moore on Knapps Creek last Sunday.

H. P. McLaughlin has an old seedling apple tree on his place that bears both sweet and sour apples, but it was never grafted.

A \$1,500,000 Axe Factory.

For some months the Kelley Axe Manufacturing Co. of Alexandria, Ind., has had under consideration the removal of its plant to West Virginia, where natural gas will be available, the supply of that product in Indiana having lessened greatly during the past several years. The company decided during the past week to locate the plant at Charleston, W. Va., and preparatory work has begun for the construction of the necessary buildings.

The Manufacturers' Record is informed by telegraph that the plant will cover about 53 acres of land, of which about 40 acres will be covered by buildings. The latter will be of brick and steel. There will be two departments in the plant, one for manufacturing axes, expected to begin production by November 1, and one for producing scythes, expected to begin production by October 1. The capital involved in this industry is \$1,500,000. Site for the works was purchased by the citizens of Charleston for \$21,000 and donated to the Kelley Company.—Manufacturers Record.

Dunsmore.

This weather is a little moist on the farmers hay and grain.

Some of our people took in the big show at Ronceverte last week. John A. Noel has the contract to build the abutment and bridge at Traveller's Repose.

Swecker and Taylor got out the woodwork for Wilmoth and Kerrs store front which is to be mostly glass. This will be one of the finest stores in the county.

A large crowd of people attended the dedication at Cass Sunday.

Revs. H. W. McLaughlin and Fultz spend Monday night in town.

We understand that J. B. White will leave Cass soon.

Harry Gwinn is thinking of moving to Cass.

Mrs. H. M. Moore and Miss Sallie Taylor are on a visit to Doe Hill, Va.

Dr. E. B. Hill is in town this week.

Why not some doctor locate at Dunsmore.

Mrs. Van Scott has returned from a visit home.

E. J. Hoover & Co. have peeled about 800 tons of bark at the mouth of Fox Lick Run on the West Fork.

CHURCH DEDICATED

At Cass, Appropriate Services, Large Congregation.

The dedication of the new and as yet the only church at Cass occurred last Sabbath in the presence of a very large and representative assembly gathered from far and near. Rev. Henry W. McLaughlin, pastor of the Stuart Robinson Memorial church, Louisville, Ky., preached the sermon: "And it shall come to pass when your children shall say to you, what mean ye by this service? That ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the Lord's passover, who passed over the houses of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses." Exodus 12:26-27.

The discourse was of a high order of excellence, very appropriate and instructive.

Immediately after the dedicatory exercises communion services were conducted by W. T. Price, D. D., aided by Rev. Harry Blackburn, of the M. E. church, in which a large number participated, representing three or four denominations.

At 3 p. m. the Rev. R. I. Garrison, chairman of Home Evangelization committee, Greenbrier Presbytery, preached to a large assembly composed of men only. The first service of the kind perhaps ever held in our county.

This was the text used by the preacher: "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve, whether the gods whom your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land ye dwell; but as for me and my house we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15.

The sermon was one of the most impressive of its kind and when at the conclusion the preacher put the question to the audience, quite a number raised their right hands indicating that for their part it was their intention to serve the Lord.

When the service of the Lord and the service of satan is contrasted it seems to be one of the most marvellous of all things that there should be the least hesitation as to what is best to do, in time and for eternity.

At night Rev. Mr. Brown, of the M. E. church, South, in charge of the Greenbank circuit, preached an interesting sermon from this text: "And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist, and He is the head of the body of the church." Colossians 1:17-18.

All of these dedicatory exercises were under the direction of Rev. A. D. Watkins, who resides at Cass and whose incessant labors by day and night have contributed largely to the success of this work. A statement publicly made by Mr. Watkins reflects great credit upon prominent citizens of Cass, attached to different churches, for their timely and efficient co-operation. The entire cost of this new and interesting church enterprise has been between eleven and twelve hundred dollars. About 300 dollars were realized on Sunday that came near one hundred dollars of meeting all obligations due on the building.

It was proclaimed that while the church is held by trustees in the name of the Presbyterian church, it is free for the use of all evangelical denominations as a place for their worship whenever desired. As matters now are other denominations will use it much more than the Presbyterian for a good while to come.

The ministers present on Sabbath were Revs. H. W. McLaughlin, R. J. Garrison, Blackhurst, Fulse, Brown and W. T. Price, D. D.

The hospitality of the citizens was profuse and special pains were taken to see that every person should have an invitation to dinner.

Between four and five hundred were present at the morning services.

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